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NEBRASKA MARCH 1, 2002 GRAIN STOCKS

LINCOLN, Neb. March 28, 2002-**Corn** stocks in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 707 million bushels, up 3 percent from March 1, 2001, according to the USDA's Nebraska Agricultural Statistics Service. Of the total, 410 million bushels are stored on farms, unchanged from a year ago. Off-farm stocks, at 297 million bushels, are up 7 percent from 2001 and the highest March 1 total since 1989.

Soybeans stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 93 million bushels, down 1 percent from last year's record high. On-farm stocks are 27 million bushels, down 21 percent from last year. Off-farm stocks are a record high 66 million bushels, up 11 percent from 2001.

Wheat stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 51 million bushels, down 7 percent from a year ago. On-farm stocks of 8 million bushels are up 11 percent from 2001. Off-farm stocks are 43 million bushels, down 10 percent from last year.

Sorghum stored in all positions on March 1, 2002 totaled 24 million bushels, down 15 percent from 2001. On-farm stocks are at 6 million bushels, down 24 percent from a year ago. Off-farm stocks are 18 million bushels, 12 percent under 2001.

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